

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**CUSTOMER NO. 22927**

Applicants: Walker et al.  
Application No.: Not Yet Assigned  
Filed: April 21, 2004  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPERATING A GAMING  
DEVICE TO DISPENSE A SPECIFIED AMOUNT  
Attorney Docket No. 98-004-C3

Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned  
Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Examiner:

Before examination of the above-identified application, and before calculation of any fee, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks in the above-identified application.